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December 20, 1968

The Honorable Richard Helms  
Director  
Central Intelligence Agency  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Dick:

Last week I spent a day in Washington preparing for a briefing of the new Cabinet. Both before going to Washington, and while in the city, I called unmercifully on your Agency for help. Everyone responded superbly.

I particularly want to thank you for the services of [redacted]

[redacted] did a first-rate job of organizing people to work for me while in Washington; the other three worked far into the night to get me maps and to type my talking papers. They all deserve a vote of praise and thanks.

Your Operations Center did a great job as well. No matter what questions I threw at them, they were never caught short.

I hope you will pass on my thanks to everyone concerned.

Warm regards,

Henry A. Kissinger

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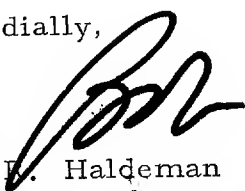
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The Hon. Richard Helms  
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Dear Dick:

Thank you very much for the outstanding  
and prompt service in the matter of  
[REDACTED] We deeply appreciate  
your help and confirm that there is no need  
for further action.

Cordially,

  
H. R. Haldeman

HRH:ds

*Glad your continuance  
is now official!*